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Nationalisation Scare Hits Commons

But Churchill Assures War-Time Measures Won't Affect Aircraft Manufacture

LONDON, April 6.

The Prime Minister Mr. Churchill dealt in the Commons to-day with the fear expressed in some quarters that the recent action of the Minister of Aircraft production, Sir Stafford Cripps, in taking over control of some aircraft firms meant post-war nationalisation by means of war-time regulations.

PREMIER'S ASSURANCE

The Government, Mr. Churchill said, have taken no decision about post-war nationalisation of manufacture of either civilian or military aircraft.

Government would not embark upon such a policy without consulting both the commons and the country.

Future policy would be decided by all constitutional means and not by the application of war-time measures.

EDEN ON HIS AMERICAN MISSION

The Prime Minister Mr. Churchill announced in the Commons that the Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden would make a statement on his American mission during the third sitting day of the present series of Parliamentary sittings.

MUNSTER SINGS TO AMERY'S TUNE

LONDON, April 6.

The Indian situation was debated in the Lords to-day on a series of Government motions to approve the twelve-months' extension of the Proclamations under the Government of India Act in reference to six Indian provinces. Similar motions were approved by the Commons last week. The Earl of Munster opened the debate with a maiden speech as Under-Secretary for India.

EXECUTIVE VACANCIES.

Lord Munster announced that the Viceroy hoped very soon to be able to give the names of Indians succeeding to the vacancies caused by the three recent resignations from the Viceroy's Executive Council.

Lord Munster then described the present state of armed forces in India. The Indian Army continued to expand steadily. Recruitment which was entirely voluntary showed no sign of slackening or abating. It was remarkable that during the internal disorders last year, recruiting reached the highest peak of 70,000 a month. The average voluntary enlistment during the past three months was 60,000.

Lord Munster disclosed that a vast number of aerodromes had been made for the expanded airforce. He said that these aerodromes would make a broad concrete road stretching the whole distance of 1,100 miles between Bombay and Calcutta. "Though India has to finance the whole of this effort in the first instance," Lord Munster explained, "not all of it is chargeable to Indian revenue and a considerable part is ultimately recoverable from the Imperial Exchequer. We have followed the principle always hitherto adopted that India is financially responsible for her own defence. The revenues of India are not applied to the maintenance of Imperial interests beyond the borders of India. INDIA FOR INSTANCE PAYS FOR ALL OF HER FORCES BRITISH AND INDIAN SO LONG AS THEY ARE IN INDIA.

She pays for the numerous aerodromes which have to be constructed there and all military works necessary on so large a scale because AN ATTACK THREATENS FROM THE EAST AND NOT FROM THE WEST.

On the other hand she does not pay for Indian forces operating outside India nor for materials supplied to Indian forces in external theatres of war not for those we have to buy in India for our own use in this country to meet our own wartime necessities." Since the war began India had recovered 400 million sterling from the British Exchequer and had spent 350 million sterling on her own defence.

TAX-PAYER'S SHARE.

In the financial year just concluded, Indian tax-payer's share of Defence Expenditure was 180 million sterling as against 34 million sterling before the war.

BRITAIN'S BURDEN.

Over a number of years we have made ourselves responsible for educating Indians to the form of democratic Government under which we live. Every act of Parliament that has been passed has been designed to promote and foster this form of rule in India.

We have always consistently assumed that our own constitution is quite adaptable to this sub-continent and we are always fully prepared to assist in the export of our system, for making constitution. In a changing world, change is always necessary but while the broad principles of the offer which was taken to India by Sir Stafford Cripps are still open, I wonder whether the deadlock would be removed and progress made towards the settlement, if the Indian leaders of all parties would come with calm and quiet deliberation to discuss the chances of finding a constitution of their own manufacture.

FOR INDIAN LEADERS.

"Such a constitution" Lord Muster said, would not necessarily be "built upon institutions which we have found best fitted to our own widely different conditions but one which nevertheless would accord India a position as a full self-governing state within the British Empire and which would have been made weather-proof and habitable for all.

Surely it is not too late now to ask the great political parties in India to solve this problem in their way.

No exertions on their part can be too great.

Wisdom and sympathy are predominately required but above all, a spirit of compromise and understanding must be the sum and substance of any settlement. We should of course be prepared to render any assistance and any help to such a body.

"I am not without hope that when India is confronted, as indeed she must be with her own position in the post-war world with all opportunities that will be opened to her and with all the dangers that will [illegible] amongst the Indian political parties may be more hopeful than it is at present.

"Finally, let me add it is now for Indians to adapt their belief to their own unique problems and needs. Let them turn to their task gifted with vision and foresight so that they may eventually find an escape from their present perplexities.

"But until the day arrives when we can announce to the world that an agreement amongst the Indians themselves has been reached the British people cannot surrender to the forces of anarchy and they must continue to be responsible for the welfare and peace of this vast land—and its millions of [illegible]." (Cheers).

BEGUM AZAD SERIOUS

CALCUTTA, April 6.
The attending physicians' bulletin issued this evening states that Begum Azad's condition continues to be serious She is unable to take proper nourishment—A. P.

Bombay Govt. Forwarding Letter To Maulana

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

The Government of Bombay have intimated the relations of the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, that their letter and telegram of the 27th and 29th March respectively regarding the condition of Begum Azad, wife of Maulana Azad, are being forwarded to the Maulana without delay.

A telegram to this effect was received this morning by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad's nephew, Mr. Nooruddin Ahmed, from the Government of Bombay.

Mr. Ahmed also received a telegram this morning from Maulana Azad himself, enquiring about the condition of Begum Azad.

Another letter has meanwhile been sent to the Government of Bombay requesting that Maulana Azad may be allowed to come to see his ailing wife. This is accompanied by the attending Doctors' certificate.

MRS. NAIDU'S HEALTH

HYDERABAD (Dn.), April 6.
A bulletin on the health of Mrs. Sarojini Naidu issued this morning by two local doctors states that her progress has been satisfactory these two days. But there has been a slight rise in the temperature. Blood examination reveals moderate anaemia. On the whole she is progressing.—United Press.

ORISSA MINISTER IN HOSPITAL

CUTTACK, April 6.
Pt. Godavaris Misra, Finance Minister, Orissa, who has been ill since March 1 was removed to hospital this morning for treatment.—A. P.

Lusitanians Qualify For Semi-Finals

The Lusitanian victory by 5 goals to two over the Deolali Ordance in yesterday's Aga Khan fivture brings the local favourites to the semi-finals, though the margin is a flattery to them since three of their goals were scored when Grostrate, the Deolali full back, had retired hurt.

Today's Game—6 p.m. Manavadar V/s. St. Xavier's "A"

WM. PHILLIPS FOR AMERICA

WASHINGTON, April 6.
President Roosevelt's representative to India Mr. William Phillips is returning to the United States shortly.

The trip has as its sole object presentation of a preliminary report.

American Posers

(From A Special Correspondent).

LONDON, April 6.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, is shortly reporting to the War Cabinet his Washington and Ottawa conversations. It is understood he will report the talks concerning India with Dr. T. V. Soong, Chinese Ambassador to America, President Roosevelt and Mr. Cordell Hull.

America's leading publicists, radio commentators and editors met Mr. Eden and discussed problems relating to India.

According to the "New York Times" intense interest in the Indian problem is becoming evident by Americans always asking British lecturers, "What about India?"

PROF. LASKI ON "INDIAN DANGER"

"I don't think it is either legitimate or wise for the British Government to place the whole responsibility for the present deadlock on Mr. Gandhi," says Prof. Harold Laski writing in Sunday's "Reynold's News" under caption "Indian Danger."

Prof. Laski adds: "From the outset of the war our Indian policy has been a bad mixture of gracefulness and miscalculation. It is a hopeless policy to wait until the Indian parties come to an agreement."

London Indians' Tributes To Gandhiji's Lead

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, April 6.

Speaking under the auspices of the Hindu Association in the Essex Hall Swami Avyaktananda declared, there was something divine in human nature even when faced with aggression; and those who followed this were called Satyagrahis (earnest seekers of truth). That was what constituted Gandhiji's philosophy.

Gandhiji, he said, believed in India's freedom through love and not through hate. He would sacrifice India for the sake of truth, and herein he differed from Lokmanya Tilak who would sacrifice truth for India. The Swamiji was convinced that the great technique of non-violence alone could be used for the maintenance of permanent peace.

Dr. K. M. Pardhy, speaking on Gandhiji said that the Mahatma had come into the world to take them back to the real teachings of Christ, Buddha, Mohamed and Krishna. Politics without its spiritual aspects was to Gandhiji, a sham swindle.

Addressing the members of Federal Union in 'Friends House' Dr. N. N. Gangulee said that in the midst of present confused thinking in the world India had a message to give. Gandhiji said that intellectual or scientific development would not help humanity unless there was 'Bhakti' that is to say 'the path of love.' Bhakti was a synthesising element linking 'Dnyanmarga' namely intellect with karma namely action. That was the Central Message of India.

PHILLIPS MEETS JINNAH

Will He Interview Gandhiji?

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, April 6.

With Mr. Phillips' talk with Mr. Jinnah today the American envoy may be said to have completed the first and main stage of his political investigations in this country. He had also a talk with Mr. Rajagopalachari before the latter left Delhi. There is no indication whatever that Mr. Phillips will seek Viceroy's permission to meet Gandhiji or to attempt a direct intervention.

JINNAH-PHILLIPS MEETING
NEW DELHI, April 6.

Mr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the All-India Muslim League met Mr. William Phillips, President Roosevelt's personal representative in India at the latters' residence this afternoon, where he had been invited to tea. This was their first meeting.—A. P.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of All Scottish Freemasonry in India held on Monday at the Masonic Hall, Bombay, this life-size portrait in oils of the M. W. Bro. Sir Justice Patric Blackwell, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A. S. F. I., and an ex-Judge of the Bombay High Court was unveiled by Rt. Wor. Bro. D. W. Ditchburn. The painting is by Mr. Sorab M. Pithawalla.

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DETENU ESCAPES BY SCALING WALL

BEZWADA, April 5.

One of the three persons taken into custody during the week-end for detention under the Defence of India Rules is reported to have escaped from custody. It is stated that he scaled the wall unobserved.—A. P.

ERLA WORKS DESTROYED

Sequel To Raid On Antwerp By American Planes

LONDON, April 6.

The main building of Erla aircraft-engine works near Antwerp was completely destroyed and other buildings set on fire during yesterday's raid by Flying Fortresses and Liberators. This damage is shown on aerial photographs taken at the time. Brig.-Gen. Frank Armstrong flew as an observer with the bombers

FRAU HESS IN SWITZERLAND

BERNE: Frau Hess, the wife of Rudolph Hess, the Nazi leader, who is a prisoner of war in Britain has arrived in Switzerland. —India Press Service

FRANCO SUMMONS CABINET

LONDON, April 5.

The Italian News Agency quoting a Madrid message says, General Franco has summoned his Cabinet to meet to-night.—Reuter.

Nazis Shoot Belgian Patriots

LONDON, April 6.

About 100 Belgian patriots are being shot every month, the Belgian News Agency said today. Between 3,000 and 4,000 patriots are sent each month to concentration camps in Germany. Nearly 8,000 are at present imprisoned in Belgium.

Millerand Dead

LONDON, April 6
THE GERMAN RADIO ANNOUNCED TODAY THAT FORMER FRENCH PRESIDENT MILLERAND DIED THIS MORNING.

BIG BAG OF NAZI PLANES IN AFRICA

SURPRISE ATTACK ON AXIS CONVOY OFF TUNISIAN COAST

LONDON, April 6.

Allied Headquarters in North Africa: The text of the communique says "there was no major engagement throughout Tunisia yesterday but our patrols were active in all sectors.

Air operations of the North-west African Air Force were again on an extensive scale yesterday and during the previous night.

AIR ATTACK ON SICILY

Yesterday heavy attacks were made with a large number of FLYING FORTRESSES of the strategic airforce on enemy airfields in Sicily and Northern Tunisia. Many aircraft were destroyed on the ground. Hangars were hit and fires left burning.

AMERICAN ADVANCE

The Morocco Radio this afternoon said "despite strong enemy resistance, United States forces continue to advance south-east of El-Guettar. They repulsed a new counter-attack and have taken many German prisoners.

French troops in the southern sector have occupied a small village."

ATTACK ON NAPLES

Official R. A. F. heavy bombers attacked Naples last night. During the same night the R. A. F. bombed Palermo.

SFAX BOMBED

Sfax was heavily bombed on Sunday night. HALIFAXES and WELLINGTONS attacked railway stations, barracks and buildings. A factory was hit.

AXIS SUPPLY SHIPS ATTACKED

An Admiralty communique announces: "During a sweep off Tunisia on the night of last Wednesday, light coastal forces of the Royal Navy surprised a convoy of three enemy supply ships proceeding under strong escort.

One supply ship which was attacked from close range was torpedoed and was seen to sink. Two torpedo hits were scored on another supply ship. This ship was not seen to sink though her destruction is practically certain.

1,000 SORTIES IN A DAY

Reuter's Special Correspondent at Allied Headquarters North Africa in a cable this afternoon said that over a thousand sorties were flown by Allied air forces in North Africa yesterday

BIG BAG OF AXIS PLANES.

Reuters' special correspondent with Allied Headquarters in North Africa wires: Allied air forces yesterday flew a record number of sorties and shot down 48 Axis aircraft, 31 which including 18 Ju 52 transports were sent crashing into the sea off the Tunisian coast by American lightnings sweeping Axis supply routes between Sicily and Tunisia. Six Stukas were among the bag the remaining seven were fighters. Axis aerodromes on both sides of the Sicilian channel were heavily attacked yesterday. One formation of Michells scattered bombs on nearly 100 fighters, bombers and transports dispersed at Borizzo airfield in Sicily. As the bombers were leaving the target they were attacked by German and Italian fighters, six of which were destroyed.

The Algiers radio told the Afrika Corps in its new German transmission on Monday that there was no way back for them from their trap in North Africa. The German speaking announcer said: "German soldiers, you have to choose between death and captivity. There is no other way out from here.

There is no return for you from Africa. We talk to-day as you were talking in the past.

A new page has been turned. The conqueror of yesterday knows nothing but to accept the strategy of those he defeated."

BOMBSHELL FOR DE GAULLE.

The French National Committee announced to-day, "General Eisenhower has asked General De Gaulle to delay his journey to French North Africa.

DID EISENHOWER CONSULT WASHINGTON?

WASHINGTON: The Secretary of State Mr. Cordell Hull stated that the State Department had no confirmation of the message which Gen. Eisenhower has been reported to have sent to the delayed De Gaulle-Giraud meeting.

C. P. Press Advisory Committee

NAGPUR, April 6.

A Press Note says: The Provincial Government have approved the recommendations of the President of the All India Editor's Conference and appointed Mr. A. D. Mani, editor of the 'Ilitawad' the convener, and Mr. W. G. Sheorey a member of the C. P. Press Advisory Committee in the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. K. P. Narayan, convener and member of the Committee.

Thus the C. P. Committee is reconstituted with five members..... Mr. A. D. Mani, Mr. V. S. Vankataraman, Mr. P. D. Dhawale, Mr. Ramgopal Maheshwari and Mr. W. G. Sheorey—U. P.

PESHAWAR, April 6.

The Viceroy who flew to Miranshah, North Waziristan, this morning returned to Peshawar in the afternoon.

Lady Linlithgow who remained in Peshawar inspected the midwifery training centre in Peshawar City.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

LONDON: Mr. Montagu Norman was re-elected Governor of the Bank of England for the 24th consecutive year.

The New Zealand Defence Minister Mr. Frederick Jones has arrived in London.

Jap Attempt To Raid S.-E. Bengal Foiled

R. A. F. Attack On Rangoon Railway Station: Enemy Air Base In Central Burma Bombed

NEW DELHI, April 6.

Yesterday R. A. F. Hurricanes intercepted a force of more than 50 Japanese bombers and fighters which attempted to attack south-east Bengal, says an India Command Joint War 'Communique.'

RAIDERS BREAK AWAY

Some of the raiders broke away and dropped bombs on Maungdaw causing only minor damage and a few casualties. The rest of the force which headed northwards was turned back by our fighters and jettisoned its bombs harmlessly in the jungles. In the many combats, at least eleven of the enemy aircraft were damaged two of them so severely that it is unlikely that they regained their base.

Yesterday morning, R.A.F. "Blenheims" escorted by fighters bombed Japanese airbase at Meiktila in central Burma, the escorting Hurricanes encountered four enemy fighters and shot down one without loss or damage to themselves.

Another formation of Blenheims attacked the railway line in Bongyaung gorge south of Katha with good results. Last night heavy bombers attacked the Central Railway station at Rangoon. The bombs dropped included a number of the thousand lb. type. Bursts were seen on the target and of the fires left burning one was visible 60 miles away.

From these and other operations two of our aircraft are missing.—

ALLIED ATTACK ON PROME & MANDALAY

On April 4, B-25 medium bombers of the Tenth Air Force conducted an operation not included in yesterday's communique. The target was the railroad yards at Pyawbwe Burma and many hits were observed on tracks, warehouses and buildings, says a communique issued from Rear Echelon Headquarters, United States Army Forces, China, Burma, India.

On April 5, B-24 heavy bombers attacked the railroad installations at Prome while our medium bombers visited Mandalay. Only the latter mission was reported successful. Many bursts were seen among buildings and track sidings. A hit was reported on an anti-aircraft battery firing from inside Fort Dufferin. Large fires, indicating burning oil dumps, were seen.

Photographs taken during the attack on Thilawa oil refinery south of Rangoon on April 4, reveal hits on the power house, wax point, distillation building and among receiver tanks.

Yesterday afternoon, our fighter forces in Assam made many sorties with light bombs and machine guns against enemy ground forces in the vicinity of Shingbwiyang in northern Burma. Because the Japanese are widely dispersed in the jungle, observation of results was difficult.

From all these operations, none of our aircraft is missing.—A. P.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (July)

New York, April 6.

Previous closing	20.25
To-day's opening	20.25
Difference	+.01

CROSS RATES

T. T. NEW YORK ON LONDON
Previous closing 4.03

T. T. LONDON ON NEW YORK
To-day's opening and closing 4.02 1/2 sellers; 4.03 1/2 buyers.

LONDON MARKETS

London, April 6.

GOLD AND SILVER
London Gold (£8-8-0) £8-8-0
Spot and Forward 23 1/2d.

CROSS RATES
London on Bombay 1-6 1/32 sellers; 1-6 31/32 buyers.
New York on Bombay (30.37) 30.37

DISCOUNTS.
3 months 1 1/32 to 1 1/16 per cent.
4 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent.
6 months 1 1/16 to 1 1/8 per cent.

SEEDS
Castorseeds Bombay April/May £38
Linseed Calcutta April/May £25
Linseed La Plata April/May £19 3/4
Groundnut Coromandal April/May East Coast Indian shipment £38 West Coast Indian shipment £38

METALS.
Electric Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 3 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

The London Stock Exchange was firm today.

LOANS

3 per cent Australian Commonwealth £102 1/8; 2 1/2 per cent British Consols £82 1/8; 3 per cent Conversion Loan £106 7/16; 3 per cent Conversion Loan £100 9/16; 4 per cent War Loan £114 1/8; 3 1/2 per cent War Loan £106 1/16; 3 1/2 per cent War Loan £101 1/4; 4 per cent Victory Bonds £114 1/4

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, April 6.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:
General Motors dol 50 1/4
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 30 5/8
United States Steel Common dol 58
United States Steel Preference unquoted.

20,000 INDIAN PRISONERS OF WAR

CALCUTTA, April 6.

The annual report of the Indian Red Cross reveals that there are approximately 20,000 Indian prisoners in Germany and Italy, the latter having mainly been captured in North Africa.—A. P.

Allied Shipping Losses Go Up

WASHINGT April 6.

The United States' Secretary for the Navy, Col. Knox, said that Allied shipping losses in the Atlantic were considerably worse in March than February owing to intensified operations of German U-Boats.

German submarines are using changed tactics

There was quite a lot of evidence of increased submarine activity in the Atlantic, Col. Knox added.

Col. Knox said: It was hard to tell whether the bombings of European submarine bases were handicapping submarine activities.

Death Of Well-Known Indian Musician

We regret to announce the premature death of Dashrath Boowa Mule, which occurred at Poona Sassoon Hospital on Sunday last after a few days' illness. Mr. Mule belonged to a Hindoo tailor community. At an early age he had come into contact with Khan Saheb Abdul Karim Khan, the great exponent of Indian classical music, who had made a special study of Shrutees. Mr. Mule became a disciple of the late Khansaheb at Miraj in 1911 and was in close contact with him till the death of his great Guru. Mr. Mule had a very sweet and melodious voice and by hard work and constant practice was able to raise his voice to the highest pitch to which human voice can reach that is he was able to sing in three octavoes just as his master used to do. His performance of music was correct to a degree according to the science of Indian classical music. He was one of the favourite artists of Indian listeners and was patronized by the All-India Radio stations.

Khan Saheb Abdul Karim Khan's object was to spread knowledge of indian music among all classes of people and with that view he had established schools of Indian music in several important cities. He had established such a school in Poona named Arya Sangit Vidyalaya. The school was conducted by him for many years and after his death Dashrath Boowa succeeded him as the principal of the school. Amongst his students were two Parsi sisters, Tehminabai and Meherabai Barafwala. When they learned about the serious illness of their favourite master they at their own expense placed the services of best musical men for his treatment and themselves attended every day his bed side and did their utmost to save his life and spent money as if he was one of their own family. Owing to some difference of opinion with the Bombay Radio Station, he had given up appearing on the radio for the last six months, but as he was a popular artist he was invited this month and he had accepted the invitation, but his untimely death has deprived listeners for ever of the pleasure of hearing him again. He was one of the few pupils of Khansaheb, who could imitate his correct style. His death is a great loss to the Indian classical music.

PRESENT TO FEISAL

CAIRO: The sword taken from the Italian Gen. Bergonzoli ("Electric Whiskers") after he was captured in the Western Desert was presented to King Feisal of Iraq when he visited the General-Officer-Commanding the Middle East, Gen. Sir Henry Maitland Wilson.

"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it."
—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

ECONOMIC WELFARE

Presiding over the annual meeting of the Millowners' Association, Bombay, on Monday, Mr. Krishnaraj M. D. Thakersey struck a pleasing note when he emphasised the needs of the common plea with regard to clothing. Explaining why the Association's Committee itself suggested to Government a limitation on the export of cotton piecegoods, Mr. Thakersey said: "In agreeing to restrict exports and to manufacture standard cloth, the Committee were actuated by only one motive, namely, that their duty lay first and foremost to the people of this country, who had stood by the industry when it was in need of protection". Now, it may be that some of the millowners only made a virtue of necessity in joining the clamour for control of exports or that they pleaded for controlled exports in preference to the complete stoppage of exports, as suggested by the public. However, it is good that the Committee as a body supported the idea of checking exports in the interests of the common people, though any serious check is likely to keep down prices and lessen profits. Mr. Thakersey also did well to urge Government to give early and full effect to their plans about standard cloth. So far the plans are only on paper and only tend to feed the people on hopes, somewhat like the "grow more food" plan.

While rightly urging Government to expedite their plan of the standard cloth, the millowners themselves can carry out somewhat similar schemes first by speeding up production, secondly, by giving due facilities to handweavers in the sale of yarn to them, and finally by producing their own types of cheap standard cloth. One of the best ways of speeding up production is to encourage the workers to put forth maximum effort by giving them a due share in the profits in one form or other. But the Deputy Chairman, Sir V. N Chandavarkar, spoke as if he grudged the workers even the meagre dearness allowance that is now being given to them. He said that the payment of "high allowance in cash" was unsound in principle as it helped to inflate prices. Now, the allowance can be high only if the prices are high. The inflation is there already as a result of various factors and the workers, paying a higher price is only a symptom and not the cause of the inflation. Sir Vithal also opposed the current proposals of Labour welfare. "There seems to be a growing tendency abroad", he said, "to regard immediate labour welfare and social legislation on British lines as the surest shortcut to perfect peace and harmony in the Industry. The Government of India appear to be inclined to go even further and advocate legislation of the type which is without a known parallel in any other civilised country." The workers will not mind whether Labour welfare legislation is planned on British or Russian or indigenous lines so long as they have it. At present they have precious little of it. And they are not going to be baulked of their legitimate rights when they are called upon to give their toil and sweat in speeding up of war production.

Businessmen like Sir V. N. Chandavarkar will do well to appreciate the coming trends of events and adapt their economic theories and policies accordingly. They will find much food for thought in this connection in the presidential speech of Mr. Gaganvihari L. Mehta at the last annual meeting of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry held at Delhi only a few days ago. In the concluding portion of his presidential address Mr. Mehta emphasised certain fundamental conditions of economic peace and welfare. He pointed out that "at the root of economic discontent are dire poverty, gross disparity in wealth and income, absence of security and the want of equality of opportunity", and that "unless a social system and an economic order can cure these ills and satisfy the elementary needs of men it cannot long survive; productive efficiency can be maintained and can grow only on the basis of social harmony". He stated an elementary truth when in conclusion he said: "In so far as Indian commercial interests seek to identify themselves with the wider economic interests of the nation, respond to the finer and growing needs of the people and continually adapt their outlook and adjust their programme to the fundamental economic requirements of the changing times, in so far would they successfully pass the trials and conflicts and struggles in the years to come and meet the challenge of the age". These are not mere words. They are live ideas stirring the minds and hearts of millions all over the world. It is only by identifying themselves with the masses that the classes can achieve the highest salvation of their own and the nation as a whole.

Eisenhower's Bombshell

What led General Eisenhower to take the astonishing step of banning, for the present, the visit to French North Africa of the Free French leader, General de Gaulle, whose visit was, moreover, expected by the High Commissioner, General Giraud? General Eisenhower's urgent message was not only a "bombshell" as the surprised Free French quarters describe it, but also an unprecedented interference in the domestic affairs of Frenchmen in French territory. This latter aspect of the American Commander-in-Chief's message excites intense curiosity regarding the whole affair for Eisenhower is not a crazy irresponsible type of person to behave, in normal circumstances, as he has done now.

A plausible explanation is that the Battle of Tunisia is entering upon its crucial stage and General Eisenhower wants to avoid confusion as regards the French army fighting with the Allies. But that is no explanation because no confusion could be caused on the battlefield while the French leaders were negotiating or even while any new arrangement, concluded between them, was being enforced. The only possible clue to the agitated interference of General Eisenhower, the United Nations' supreme chief in North Africa, is, perhaps, to be found in Spanish Morocco. The Military Governor of Spanish Morocco recently visited Algiers and now high ranking military officers of three of the United Nations, including America and Brazil, are on a visit to Spanish Morocco. Finally there is a report that General Franco called a meeting of his Cabinet. Is a crisis expected in or through Spain and Spanish Morocco with or without Hitler? Even that, however, does not really explain General Eisenhower's ban for "military reasons."

Rélease Him At Once

It is distressing to learn that Begum Azad, wife of the Congress President, is seriously ill and that, according to the bulletin issued by the doctors attending on her, "it is only a question of days for the end to come". Many appeals have been made to Government to release Maulana Azad so as to enable him to see his dying wife. But no response has yet been vouchsafed by the authorities concerned. We shall yet hope that they have enough humanity to release him at once and unconditionally before it is too late. There must not be a single hour's avoidable delay in discharging this elementary duty.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

The Tunisian Battle

The battle in Tunisia is more or less in a state of lull. But this is in the nature of the proverbial calm which precedes the storm. There is reason to believe that very soon the British Eighth Army, the spearhead, as it were, of the Allied forces, will again be on the move. Once Rommel's hastily improvised defences north of Gabes are overrun he will not be able, whatever he does, to stop an immediate link-up between the Americans and the Eighth Army. After that Rommel will have to run right up to the north. But even though he and von Arnim fight hard and bitterly, the end will be inevitable.

Nemesis

Meanwhile a new phase has opened in the Allied air offensive against Italy with the heavy raid on Naples by North Africa based Flying Fortress. Recent attacks on targets in Sardinia, Sicily and on the Italian mainland show how the Allies are trying to blockade Axis forces in Tunisia and then to destroy them. But that is not all. The Flying Fortresses carried a message to Signor Mussolini of what would come to him after Tunisia. And it was not a pleasant message at all. This man and his Fascist brutes smacked their lips when helpless Abyssinians were treated with explosive, incendiary and gas bombs by his air force. It was perhaps the most cold-bloodedly bestial and cowardly act even by Italian Fascists. Now Nemesis is about to overtake them. And we do not sympathise with them.

Complete Exposure

In so far as it exposes the utter unreasonableness of the Viceroy's reply to the leaders' memorandum Mr. Rajagopalachari's statement leaves little to be desired. Indeed, it gives the Viceroy's puerile objections more attention than they deserve. As regards the objection that the Leaders' Conference was not sufficiently representative, we would add to what Rajaji has said that the Conference is far more representative than the Viceroy's Executive Council. Can anything be more preposterous than the insistence that a mere request for interviews with Gandhiji needs to be supported by a representative of the States?

Must Not Be Assumed

Referring to the objection that the signatories to the memorandum did not condemn "the Congress campaign of violence", Rajaji says: "If this observation is meant to demand that we should accept merely on the authority of Government's *ex-parte* finding, the view that the Congress Working Committee was responsible for the acts of violence of [illegible] months, as a condition precedent to any request, unless and until it is proved before a suitable tribunal with the help of honester evidence than has been so far published.

CUTS HIS TONGUE FOR GODDESS!

(From Our Correspondent).

LAHORE, April 6.

A thousand men and women collected on Tuesday morning at Sitla Mandir saw a devotee of Sitla by name Tikyaram aged 25, coming from Lyallpur district, who was lying with his tongue severed and profusely bleeding.

When the police rushed to the spot, Tikyaram, who had become speechless, gave his name and address in writing but refused medical aid, his belief being that the tongue would be cured by the power of Goddess Sitla.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT

A similar incident is stated to have occurred 21 years ago, when the tongue of the devotee is said to have been cured and he regained the power of speech.

More Light On "Appeasement"

LONDON: Dr. Keith Feiling, the noted Oxford Historian is writing the Life of Neville Chamberlain and the book will be published very shortly. The publication is expected to throw more light on the inner history of the "Appeasement" and the part played by that group of British politicians known as "Munich Men".—India Press Service.

Hoosseinbhoy A. Laljee's Appeal Allowed

The Chief Justice, Sir John Beaumont, and Mr. Justice Chagla, at the Bombay High Court, allowed an appeal brought by Hooseinbhoy A. Laljee and another against Ahmed I. A. Laljee and others from an order of Mr. Justice Kania on a notice of motion.

The Chief Justice, in giving judgment, said that the English practice was well settled that where an executor or trustees admitted that he received or had in his hands a sum of money payable to or forming part of the estate, he would be ordered by the Court on an interlocutory application to bring the money so received or held into Court.

In the present case the only admission if made at all by the appellants, was that a sum of Rs. 29,376 was standing to the credit of the testator in the firm of Abdullabhoy Laljee and Co., in which the appellants were partners. Even assuming that this amounted to an admission that the appellants were liable to pay the amount to the estate, still that was a very different thing from an admission that they had got the money in their hands to be paid over to the estate of the testator.

It did not in the least follow that because the firm owed a sum to the testator and that the executors were liable to pay that sum therefore they had got the money in their hands so as to justify an order on an interlocutory application for payment into court or to a receiver.

It was impossible for their Lordships to hold that in this case there was any admission by the apellants that they had in hand this sum. The most the admission came to was that they owed that sum.

Their Lordships ordered the costs of the motion to come out of the estate, but with regard to the costs of the appeal, the first respondent was ordered to pay three-fourths of the appellants' costs the other one-fourth was ordered to be paid out of the estate.

Mr. M. C. Setalvad, instructed by Messrs. Mulla and Mulla, appeared for the appellants. Mr. M. L. Maneksha, instructed by Messrs. Merwanji Kola and Co., appeared for respondent one; Mr. F. J. Coltman, instructed by Messrs. J. S. Ratnagar and Co., appeared for respondents three to ten.

B. B. C. Monthly Essay Competition

The monthly essay competitions based on the English programmes in the Eastern Service, have been planned by the B.B.C. for listeners in India. A prize of Rs. 50/- each month is offered for the best essay of the month criticising the daily English programmes broadcast from London between 5-45 and 6-30 p.m. (I.S.T.)

Among the items are some well-known features in the Eastern Service...The Brains Trust, Radios, Theatre, the special programme for Indian listeners entitled "Through Eastern Eyes", literary talks and classical music.

The essay could deal with the whole programme or with a single item.

The following are the rules of entry: (1) The competition begins from March 1, 1943. (2) It is open to all persons residing in India and Ceylon. (3) The essay must be in English and should not exceed 1,000 words in length. (4) The B.B.C. reserves the right to broadcast any essay wholly or in part. (5) The decision of the judges is final and legally binding, and no correspondence will be entered in to on the subject. (6) Entries for March must reach the B.B.C., New Delhi, by April 10th, 1943.

The essay could deal with the whole prohabad University, has agreed to judge the essays for March.

Wheat For Jews!

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

Since January last, the trustees of the Sir Jacob Sassoon Trust have applied to the Control Department for the supply of wheat for their sacred Pass-over week. Their representatives called on him now and again; and they were left under the impression, that they would have the wheat by the end of March. Now they are informed, that they cannot get wheat, though wheat is available in Bombay; the Railways, the Port Trust, etcetera are getting it; and yet, it is denied to the Jews, at this eleventh hour!

The Jews of Calcutta, Madras, Delhi and Poona have got the wheat. Large shipments of wheat have arrived in the City. The Jews partake of no other bread, but the sacremental bread, during the Pass-over week. They have reduced their demand of 260 bags just to 50 bags only. And to refuse even that much quantity for their sacred ceremony is inequitable in the extreme.

Will not the Governor kindly intervene in the matter, and do bare justice to the Jews? The time is short.

New Congress City Father

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Mr. N. G Gor, member of the Congress Municipal Party, has been elected to the seat in the Bombay Municipal Corporation vacated by Mr R. S. Nimbkar resigned. Mr. Gor was the only candidate nominated on Tuesday, the last day for the filing of the nomination papers.

NATIONAL WEEK: Exhibition at Kalbadevi Khadi Bhandar displaying the samples of yarn spun by the citizens of Bombay will remain open from 11-30 a.m. to 7-30 p.m. on any day during the National Week i.e. 6th April to 13th April 1943.

The suggestion made by the Government of Bengal to introduce a Diploma Course in Fishery in the University of Calcutta has been accepted by the Senate of the University.

Too Many New Banking Ventures

Reserve Bank Board Urges Stringent Govt. Control

The Central Board of the Reserve Bank of India have recently approached the Government of India to undertake legislation for the amendment of Section 277-I of the Indian Companies Act. In a representation addressed to the Government, the Board says:

"We have, accordingly, been maintaining a careful watch over current banking developments, and in view of the recent floatation of a number of new banks have considered it desirable to collect and study particulars about new banks organized since the outbreak of the war.

"Since the submission of our proposals for banking legislation in September, 1939, 38 new banking companies, including 2 in Indian States, have come into existence. Out of the 36 banks which have been registered in British India, 16 have an authorized capital of Rs. 5 lakhs or over, and in 6 cases the paid-up capital is also known to be over this limit. The authorized capital ranges from Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 20 crores.

The majority of the new institutions seem to have commenced business with paid-up capital which would be generally regarded as inadequate. What, however, seems to us to be really disquieting is that of the 13 banks whose subscribed and paid-up capital are known only 4 banks satisfy the proportion suggested by us, viz., that the subscribed capital should be half the authorised capital.

DIVISION OF CAPITAL.

"There is a further undesirable development to which we would invite the attention of Government. Particulars regarding the division of capital into preference, ordinary and deferred shares are available in respect of 23 banks or over. Of these latter, 4 have preference, ordinary and dferred shares, 3 have preference and ordinary shares, while the remainder have only ordinary share capital. In one case the preference share capital is more than twice the ordinary share capital and there are no deferred shares, but where all three kinds of capital occur, the ordinary share capital is larger than the preference, which in turn exceeds the deferred. In several such cases the inference is that the distribution of shares among the various categories has been so arranged as to ensure a controlling voice in the management to an individual or a small group.

"The dangers of this practice are not confined to the preference and ordinary shareholders, who, it might be argued, should read the prospectus and judge for themselves. What we are concerned about is the risk to the public. As, if profits in any particular year are large, a disproportionately large share will accrue to the deferred shareholders, there will be a strong temptation to the management to indulge in unsafe or speculative business without proper regard for the interests of the depositors.

"A similar danger attends the various devices to get round the principle underlying Section 277-H of the Companies Act, which prohibits a bank being managed by a managing agent other than another banking company. Many of the banks appear to owe their origin to the efforts of one or two enterprising individuals, who have got themselves appointed as the Managing Directors, and it is not uncommon for the Managing Director to enter into an aggreement with the Bank for a long term varying from 15 to 20 years, the latter period being the most usual ensuring him a fairly high salary and allowances and in certain cases a percentage of profits, after the bank is able to declare a specific rate of dividend which is generally fixed at a low figure. Where the prospects of profit sharing are high the salary of the Managing Director is kept low so as to make the fixed part of his remuneration look modest. Eight of the new banks have provisions of this sort in their constitution. As we pointed out in paragraph 7 of our Explanatory Memorandum, Section 277-H seemed capable of evasion, and we are referring these cases separately to Government so that they may examine whether they comply with the law, and if they do, whether any drafting amendment of the section can be effected to stop what we consider an undesirable development.

Whether in the existing conditions the mere organization of new banks is or is not likely to provide the necessary avenues for profitable employment of funds is a matter on which there might be difference of opinion, but the Board feel that more than ordinary caution is called for in the organization and management of new banks in in view of the difficulties and the disturbances which the post-war period is certain to bring. In their view it is of the utmost importance that the capital structure and the system of management of banks should be of such a nature as to minimize the temptation towards an over-ambitious and get-rich-quick policy, and to encourage in its stead cautious and steady banking on well tried orthodox lines.

CALL FOR ACTION

"Viewing the problem in this light the Board would welcome any action that Government may be in a position to take after consulting Provincial Governments and commercial opinion, first to add to Section 277-I of the Companies Act a further proviso that the subscribed capital must not be less than half of the authorized capital, and second that no banking company shall have other than ordinary shares. The capital structure of a bank has an important bearing on the mode of its management and since the failure of a bank does far greater harm than the failure of any other kind of company owing to its repercussions not only on the savings and fortunes of the actual depositors, but also on the general economic fabric of the country, the Board consider that measures should be taken to eliminate these factors which are likely to encourage speculative banking in these uncertain times.

Independence Pledge Not "Prejudicial Document"

Wardha Judge Sets Aside Conviction Of Three Ladies And Two Youths

(From Our Correspondent.)

WARDHA, April 5.

"Reading the Independence Pledge as a whole I cannot say that it is likely to incite people to attempt by violence or public disorder to subvert Government for the time being established in British India. This Pledge, I am told, is read every year on the 26th January and no one has been prosecuted upto now. If this is the case and Government has not banned it or taken any action with regard to it, it must be inferred that it did not cause any uneasiness to it. For these reasons the exhibits (about Independence Pledge) cannot be regarded as prejudicial reports" Thus observed Mr. J. R. Mudholkar, Bar-at-Law, Sessions Judge, Wardha, while acquitting the accused Totaram Valecha, Karachi, and Ramachandra Bhatt, Mangalore (South India), both students of Maganwadi, Wardha, who were convicted under Rule 39(1) b(6) of Defence Act, and sentenced to one month's imprisonment by the 1st Class Magistrate for being in possession of the Independence Pledge. Similarly, Mrs. Shantabai Kale (Nalwadi) and Mrs. Vimalabai Chitre, (Maganwadi) Wardha, were acquitted of this charge.

PLEDGE NOT DECLARED UNLAWFUL BY GOVERNMENT.

In the course of his judgment the Sessions Judge made the following among other observations:

The learned Magistrate who tried the case has said that the pledge "contains prejudicial reports and the most noticeable instance is found towards the end of para 1". The portion which he mentions is "The British Government in India has not only deprived the Indian people of their freedom but has based itself on the exploitation of the masses and has ruined economically, politically, culturally and spiritually."

Whipping And Jail

MADURA, April 5.

Four persons were convicted and sentenced under different sections of the Penal Code and Defence of India Rules to five years' R. I. in the aggregate besides whipping of six stripes each while 12 persons were acquitted in the Natarajapuram Railway Station arson case by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate Devakottah, on Wednesday.

Of the four accused convicted two accused were further sentenced to pay a fine aggregating Rs 1,000 by the Magistrate to be paid to the S. I. Railway Company as compensation.

The prosecution alleged that the accused set fire to the Sleeping Saloon of the Sleeping Saloon of the Natarajapuram Railway Station in the Manmadura Trichy chord line and thereby committed mischief by fire following the disturbances in August last.—A. P.

MAVLANKAR'S SON ARRESTED

AHMEDABAD, April 6.

Mr. Balkrishna Mavlanker, son of the Hon. Mr. G. V. Mavlanker, Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, was arrested last night at the Ahmedabad Railway Station.

Congress bulletins and posters are reported to have been seized from him.—A. P.

11 Places Searched, 4 Persons Taken Into Custody

CALCUTTA, April 6.

Eleven places in North and South Calcutta were searched by the Special Branch Police. In the course of the search at two places some objectionable leaflets were recovered and four persons were taken into custody for interrogation.

Some explosive materials and objectionable leaflets are reported to have been recovered by the Special Branch Police in the course of a search of a house in North Calcutta. The Police arrested in this connection Sohan Lall Surana, said to be the owner of the house, and Gobinda Lall Banerjee and Ramesh Chandra Sen under the Defence of India Rules and the Indian Arms Act.

These three men were produced before the Chief Presidency Magistrate who remanded them to police custody.—United Press.

CALCUTTA SEARCHES AND ARRESTS

CALCUTTA: Three places in the city were searched on Tuesday by the special branch police, who arrested three persons under D.I.R. Some prejudicial literature it is alleged, was seized by the police from the places searched.

BENARES: Mr. Rameshawar Sahai Sinha, who was released from the Benares District Jail resumed his duties as the Superintendent of Education of the Benares Municipal Board.

SABOTAGE ACCUSED DISCHARGED

BURDWAN, April 6.

Of the 46 persons arrested in connection with the destruction of records of the Post Office, B. P. Railway property and police station in village Jamalpure, Burdwan District, and for snatching away one musket from a constable and for looting the excise shop there in September last, the police have submitted charge sheet against 26.

The Special Magistrate of Burdwan has framed charges under various sections of the Indian Penal Code and the Defence of India Rules, against 10 persons and the rest were discharged. Fifteen others are stated to be still absconding.—United Press.

PROCESSIONISTS ARRESTED

SURAT: Four persons including three women, were arrested today when they took out a procession in the Haripura and Mahidarpura areas of the city in contravention of prohibitory orders.

STRIKE CALLED OFF

SURAT, April 6.—Their demand for dearness allowance being conceded, the teachers of the Broach Municipal Primary Schools have called off the strike and resumed work, says a report received here.

Mr. Raichand Motichand of Kadod has been arrested for being in possession of alleged prejudicial reports.

Two women who were arrested some days back for leading an unauthorised procession have been sentenced to four months' R. I. each.

Manibhai, a goldsmith of village Nilam, has been arrested in connection with the incident at Sarbhon near Jambusar where a police chowki was set on fire.

One person has been sentenced to three years' R. I. and fined on a charge of attacking a postal runner between Kavi and Jambusar, says a report.

Arrested For Shouting Slogans

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

A man who came out of a gully, at Bhuleshwar shouting Congress slogans was arrested this morning by the police.

Collective Fines On Two Satara Villages

Collective fines of Rs. 500 each have been imposed on the villages of Warade and Tasawade, in the Karad taluka of Satara District.

Muslims, Scheduled and Backward Classes, ex-soldiers and the families of serving soldiers, Civic Guards, Government servants and all those who helped the Police in their investigations are exempt from payment of the fines.

DOCTOR AND EDITOR ARRESTED

BELGAUM April 6.— Dr. T. G. Joshi, a Municipal Councillor, and Mr. Shankarrao Parulekar, Editor of the "Belgaum Samachar", a Marathi weekly, were arrested today under D. I. R. Four more persons are also reported to have been arrested under D. I. R.

BOMBAY DOCTOR RELEASED

NASIK: Dr B. K. Banerjee of Bombay, who was arrested under the Defence of India Act last December, was released. He left for Bombay.

YAWAL MUNICIPALITY.

The Government of Bombay has directed that the supersession of Yawal Municipality shall be for a period of two years, from January 14, 1943.

SOVIET ADVANCE IN KUBAN

MOSCOW, March 6.

(From Reuter's special correspondent):

The Red Army's advance in the Kuban has made steady progress and General Maslennikov's troops are today driving the Axis from positions there. After a violent battle, the Red Army has stormed its way into several villages. The Soviet forces are advancing through the Kuban swamps which have failed to hold up Soviet Infantrymen.

In one assault the Russians drove across two lines of German pill-boxes and machinegun nests.

SOUTH OF IZYUM

On the Upper Donetz front, the Red Army has smashed a pincer movement directed at the Soviet bridgehead south of Izyum.

Apart from the fighting in the Kuban and on the Donetz the Soviet front is comparatively quiet while both armies prepare for the clash which must come as soon as the ground is firm enough.

GERMAN UNITS THROWN BACK

A battalion of German Infantry with tanks and aircraft which tried to drive a wedge into the Russian defences south of Izyum was thrown back says a supplement to today's midday communique.

In Kuban Soviet artillery men shelled a large German centre of resistance. Our artillery destroyed more than 60 enemy firing points."

REDS CAPTURE BAKANSK

Reports reaching Stockholm on Monday night say that the Russians have captured Bakansk, a town on the main Kuban Railway, 12 miles from Novorossisk.

The Moscow radio on Tuesday broadcast a statement by the Special Commission investigating German atrocities and acts of vandalism on Soviet territory.

The statement says that the German army is committing acts of violence, tortures outrages and murders against peaceful citizens as well as Soviet war prisoners.

Some Soviet prisoners of war were used by the Germans as targets during firing practice, it adds.

JOURNALIST MARRIES RUSSIAN GIRL

MOSCOW: The first wartime wedding in Moscow's Foreign Colony was celebrated the other day. It was the marriage of Ronald Mathews, the Correspondent of the "Daily Herald" (London) in Moscow with Tanya Dostoyevskya, a Russian girl from Rostov-on-Don. Sir Archibald Clark Keer, the British Ambassador in Moscow, the members of the British Military Mission and several prominent Russian Journalists attended a reception.—India Press Service.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

To blame the Viceroy or the Government for a decision which was inevitable is futile. The pity is that there seems no way out of the impasse. The war situation demands with increasing insistence that this country should play its full part in restoring peace to the world so that it may enjoy its proper place in the new order.

"Evening News of India."

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"We claim that it was in the public interest that we wanted facilities to meet Mahatma Gandhi"—Sjt. C. Rajagopalachar.

Quite right. But why then criticise the inevitable refusal?

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"Neither the British Government nor the Muslim League has" says Rajaji, "expressed the view that differences can be settled or problems solved without contact with Gandhiji."

The Government, too, can claim that the continued silence of the Muslim League means continued consent.

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Pointing out the obvious meaning of the Viceroy's refusal, Mr. K. M. Munshi says: "The reply has shut the door to reconciliation. But it is not going to break the nation."

Sounds like a rash, thoughtless challenge to Sir Reginald Maxwell and Lord Linlithgow's Government.

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German soldiers in Tunisia have been warned by Algiers Radio that they must choose between death and captivity, there being no other way out.

The Italian soldiers would no doubt fully concur.

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Nearly 100 Flying Fortresses are reported to have subjected Naples to the heaviest raid it has yet experienced.

But Signor Mussolini has long since forgotten his Abyssinian adventure. There will, therefore, be no message of appreciation to the Americans for providing Mussolini, his family and his Fascists with the spectacle of a grand "sport", a most enjoyable sight.

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R. A. F. Raids Force Hitler Into a Dilemma.
—Headline.

His greatest dilemma to-day is whether to attack Russia with 100 or only 80 per cent of his strength.

NATIONAL WEEK

Self-Sufficiency Programme For Khadi

The Secretary of the A I S A Bombay branch writes:—

Till all these years the National Week (From Tuesday the 6th April to Tuesday the 13th of April) had been specially marked out by conducting extra programmes for intensifying the Khadi sales.

The situation is not so now. For, little or no stocks are obtainable from the branches. When it would be possible to do so, is difficult to say at present. In the absence of adequate stocks a departure from the usual methods of celebrations is considered necessary. How then, is this week to be celebrated?

We request that this Week should be devoted for the purpose of intensifying the programme of self-sufficiency. In the midst of the scarcity of commercial Khadi; the simplest and the easiest way to obtain it, is to take to self spinning. Our efforts in the city of Bombay during the past six months in this direction have established the utility and importance of this programme. More and more people are taking to the wheel.

Some wheels were already plying in Bombay. But since the scheme of the exchange of yarn for Khadi has been introduced at the Khadi Bhandar interest of the public in self spinning appears to have been greatly increased. But very much still remains to be done.

The problem of obtaining cloth is getting as keen as that of the food grains. If people take to self spinning they can at least procure cloth sufficient for a loin piece which may stand them in good stead in time of need.

During this week the Khadi Bhandar has decided to hang the names of spinners of Bombay in the Bhandar premises showing the quality and the quantity of yarn spun by each during the past six months. Charts showing the Khadi activity would be displayed and a 'Mandap' made out of the hand spun yarn would also be on view. We request the public to kindly visit the Bhandar during this National Week.

WHY KHADI IS SCARCE?

(From Bombay Charka Sangh)

1. Decreased supplies of Khadi from Producing Branches due to all round dislocation of work owing to the present disturbed conditions.
2. Increased consumption of Khadi within the producing branches themselves.
3. Difficulty in obtaining Railway booking.
4. Tendency towards hoarding amongst the Customers.

Gale Blows Off N.-W. F. Conference 'Pandal'

SYLHET: A heavy gale accompanied by severe hailstorm passed over Sunamganj (Sylhet) on the night of April 2 as a result of which the Pandal for the National War Front Conference and the exhibition Pandals and adjoining huts were blown off and heavily damaged. Some persons falling under the Pandals were, however, taken out by volunteers and the students. Sir Syed Sadullah, Premier, Assam, opened the Agriculture-Education-Health Exhibitions in the Pandals just before the storm broke.—A. P.

64 SUNNIS FINED

LUCKNOW, April 6.

Sixty-four Sunnis who were arrested on Barawafat Day in Lucknow on the charge of reciting "Madhe Saha" in defiance of the District Magistrate's order under Sec. 144 Cr. P. C. have been sentenced to pay a fine of Rs. 30 each or in default to undergo rigorous imprisonment for two months'.—A. P.

MADRAS, April 6.— The Government of Madras have sanctioned a scheme for the distribution of foodstuffs to a part of the population in 34 fairly big towns in the Presidency through the agency of co-operative societies. If the scheme proves successful it will be extended to a few more towns.—A. P.

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NAVYUG'S Tickling Tale
PAHILI MANGLAGOUR
Snehprabha, Shahu Modak
5th WEEK AT
CENTRAL
Daily: 4-30, 7-15, 10 p.m.

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Blended together in
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Daily: 4-30, 7-15 & 10 p.m.
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LAST THREE DAYS!
Hind Pictures' Happy Hit
KALJUG
Director: NAZIR
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5th WEEK at
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Daily: 4-45, 7-15, 10 p.m.

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YOU'LL FEEL SORRY FOREVER
NATIONALS'
LALAJI
Starring:—
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AT
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Daily: 3-30, 6-30 & 10 p.m.
ZENANA SHOW TOMORROW AT 12-30 NOON

FOLLIES and FOIBLES 11TH WEEK!
OF YOUTH TODAY
KARDAR Productions' Musicomedy!
Sharda
Producer-Director:—KARDAR
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Daily: 5, 7-30 & 10 p.m., Sat., Sun. at 2-30 p.m.

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NEW YORK COTTON

Bombay, April 5.

On Monday, the New York cotton market was steady with moderate buying. At the opening the market was indecisive but there was further trade price-fixing together with Government textile orders associated with scattered New Orleans demand. This buying met nervou commission house liquidation reflecting uncertainty over Congressional action on the Vetoed Bankhead Bill. The market opened at a rise of one point of at 20.30 and after declining to 20.16 advanced to 20.35 and closed at a net gain of 1 to 6 points.

PRIVATE CABLES—
New York July highest (2-57 p.m.) 20.25+06
New York July lowest (10-11 a.m.) 20.16—03

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, April 5.

May	20.43+06
July	20.25+06
October	20.00+03
December	19.95+03
January	19.91+01
March	19.89+02
Middling Spot	22.20+04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
New York, April 5.

May	20.72+07
July	20.56+07
October	20.30+03
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CITY MARKETS

Shares:—The local Share Bazar was fairly steady at the start with a scattered demand but later on there was no follow up. Long liquidation developed and prices assumed sagging tendency. It appears that while our industrial outlook will continue satisfactory during the war period but at the same time it seems certain that profits will not be able to reach phenomenal figures of the last year. This means that there cannot be material increase in share values and somewhere the currency expansion will have to be checked. All these factors when continued together, there remains nothing in the situation to go headlong on the bull side. War news may help moderate improvement, but such advances will offer an opportunity to unload holding with a view to replace on good setbacks.

Wall Street market was again strong on Monday and many issues reached new high levels. Steels Coppers, Utilities and numerous industrials advanced in one of the fastest session. The heavy buying which came in from all parts of the country is attributed to war news will further inflation interiudes.

In the local market Tata Steel Defds. opened at Rs. 1865/ and advanced to Rs. 1877/ but later declined to Rs. 1850/ Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 383/ and after advancing to Rs. 384/ declined to Rs. 378/ Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 1937/ and after advancing to Rs. 1945/ declined to Rs. 1927 Century Mill Shares opened at Rs. 780 and improved to Rs. 784/ but later, declined to Rs. 776/ Associated Cement Shares were quoted at Rs. 222/ and tone was barely steady.

Later on there was active buying and prices firmed up. Defds advanced to Rs. 1892 and Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 385/8. Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1958 and Century shares hardened to Rs. 790.

TEXTILE SECTION:— Ahmedabad Advance 475; Apollo Mills 5/11; Bharat Mills 91; Bom. Dyeing 1960; Cent. India 484; Century 792/8; Colaba 270/8; Dawn 1332/8; E. D. Sassoon Ordy 18/8; E. D. Sassoon Defd 3/13; Edward Sassoon 447/8; Elphinstone 90; Finlay 382; Gokak 391; Hindustan 4140; Ind. Manfg. 4240; Indore Malwa 1315; Ind. Bleaching 256; Khatau 470; Kohinoor 758; Lakshmi 1480; Madhowji 27/12; Minerva 217/8; Model Nagpur 356/4; Madhusudan 630; Meyer Sassoon 172/8; Morarji 1185; Mysore 277/8; New Great 450; Phoenix 860; Podar Mills 347; Sassoon Silk 110; Sassoon Cotton 28/4; Sholapur 9500; Shri Nivas 483/12; Simplex 329; Svadeshi 600; Swan 360; Tata Mills 59; Vishnu 2440; Western India 3550;

INSURANCE SECTION:—Bom. Life 162/8; Empire Life 695; Indust. and Prudent 34; Ind. Mercantile 74; Jupiter 18/14; New India 70; Oriental 4825; Vulcan 15/4.

HYDRO AND ELEC. SECTION: Ahmedabad 195; Ajmere 14/4; And. Valley Ord. 1832/8; Bom. Tram Ordy 150; Bom. Suburban 190/10; Broach 13/8; Karachi xd 258/12; Poona 267/8; Surat 191; Surat New Rs. 60/ Pd. 70; Tata Hydro Ordy 191; Tata Power Ordy 1770.

BANK SECTION:—Baroda Bank 126; Bank of India 166; Central Bank xd 60; Imperial F.P. 1750; Imperial P.P. 432/8; Reserve 109/4; Union 8.

PREF. SHARES:— 7 per cent And. Valley 1680; 6 per cent Bom. Steam 335; 7 per cent Bom. Tram 79/8; 6 per cent Central India 705; 6 1/2 per cent Jupiter 19/12; 6 1/2 per cent Surat 193/12; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 1st 130; 6 1/4 per cent Prem. Const. 2nd 126; 6 per cent Tata I. and S. 1st 215; 7 1/2 per cent Tata I and S 2nd 148/4; 7 per cent Vishnu 785; 7 per cent Tata Hydro 167.

DEBENTURES:—4 per cent And. Valley 106/14; 4 per cent Tata Chemical 280; 4 per cent Tata Power 105; 6 per cent Marsland Price 118; 5 per cent Shol. Rs. 64/Pd. 70

RAILWAY SECTION:—Ahmedabad Prantej 867/8; Dhond Baramati 106; Cent. Provs. 108; Gujerat 101; Hoshiarpur Doab 106; Mandra Bhon 106; Mymensing Rembte xd 104; Mymensing Gtd. 107; Pachora Jamner 100; Sara Sirajganj 104; Sialkot Narowal 115; Sialkot New 48; Upper Sind Light 115;

MIS. SECTION:—Alembic Chemical 335; Alcock Ashdown 762/8; Asso. Cement 223; B. B. Petrol 2-1 1/4; Belapur 235; Bom. Burma Old 320; Bom. Burma New 111/4; Bom. Steam 520; Radio Ordy. 430; Radio Defd 442/8; Invest. Trust xd 68; Prem. Const. 160; Port Canning 96/4; Scindia 30/10, Defd. 1892/8; Tata Oil 90; Tata Chemical 33/12; Wimco 370; Burma Corp. 2/12; B.I.C. Ordy xd 8/12; Ind. Copper 2/5; Ind. Iron 35/6; Steel Corp. 25/6; New Vict. Ordy. 8/13.

BULLION:—Yesterday London Gold was unchanged at 168-8-0, Dollar Sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03-3/4 at New York. London spot and forward Silver quotations were unchanged 23 -1/2d. and New York spot Silver were quoted at 44-3/4 cents. The local market was fairly firm at the start with general buying and Silver advanced to Rs. 112-8 for Chaitra and later after declining to Rs. 111-14 steadied at Rs. 111-15 while Gold for Chaitra delivery advanced to Rs. 73-13 and later steadied at Rs. 73-10; Quotations were ready Gold Rs. 73-15-0 Chaitra Rs. 73-10, Soverigns Rs. 52-10. Ready Silver Rs. 112-5 and Chaitra Rs. 111-15. Later on the market was quietly steady closing quotations were, Ready Gold Rs. 73/14 Chaitra Rs. 73/8 Sovereigns Rs. 52/14, Ready Silver Rs. 112/2 Chaitra Rs. 111/12.

COTTON:—The local market opened very steady with short covering but at the rise there was some professional unloading. It is generally believed that the statistical position of cotton is sound and eventually higher prices will be reached despite the official threat. The market opened to-day at Rs. 545 for May delivery and improved to Rs. 546. At this level there was moderate realising and prices reacted to Rs. 541 but with renewed support advanced to Rs. 544 and tone was steady. Later on there was active buying and prices advanced to Rs 551/- but reached to Rs. 548/- at this level small support appeared and prices advanced to Rs. 551/- but again sagged to Rs. 545/-. At this level there was renewed buying and prices advanced to the Rs. 550/8. The market closed at 5 p. m. with May Rs. 548/- and July Rs. 557/-.

SEEDS:—The local Seeds market was fairly firm with improved demand for linseed May. Trading in August groundnuts commenced to-day at Rs. 109-4 and later declined to Rs. 107-4. At the start premium for August was Rs. 6-4 but later declined to Rs. 5-4. Groundnuts May opened at Rs. 101-12 and after advancing to Rs. 103-4 reacted to Rs. 102-12. Castorseeds May were quoted at Rs. 94-12 and Linseed May was being done at Rs. 11-2-3. Tone was very steady. Closing quotations Linseed May Rs. 11-1-3, Groundnuts May op. R s. 103 hi. 103/2 lo. 101/12 Close 102/5, Groundnuts Aug. op. 109 4, hi. 109/8 lo. 107 close 107/10, Castorseeds May op. 90/4, hi. 103/2 8Mo L6r seeds May op. 90/4, hi. 95 close 94/8 Castorseeds Aug. op. 100/4, lowest 99 close Rs. 99/4.

Government Securities

Bombay, April 6.

2 3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99/2
3 1/2 per cent G. P. Notes 94
3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 100/7
3 per cent 1951/54 Loan 99/14;
3 1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 103/15
5 per cent 1945-55 Loan 108/2
3 per cent 1963-65 Loan 95
4 per cent 1943 Bond 101/2
4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 110/7
4 1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 114/2
3 per cent 1946 Def. Loan 103
TAX FREE LOANS.
4 per cent 1963-63 Mysore 117
CORP. DEBENTURES.
4 per cent B.P.T. 1974 109
4 per cent M. Deb. 1974 109/12
5 per cent M. Deb. 1959 118
6 per cent M. Deb. 1954 128
6 per cent K.P.T. 1956 128
6 per cent Mysore 1955 128

BANKERS' CLEARING: Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers' Clearing House during the week ending 2nd April, 1943, were as under:—
Number of cheques—135956
Amount [illegible]

City And Suburbs

TO-DAY

Hindu: Chaitra Shud 3, 1999.
Muslim: Rabi-ul-Akhar 1, 1362
Parsi: Avan 5, 1312
Sunrise: 7-29 a.m. Sunset 7-52 p.m.
Hightide: 1-14, 13-53, Lowtide 7-21, 19-44
Municipal Corporation 2 p.m. (B.T.).

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Short Talk on "What are Dreams?" followed by Questions and Answers. Jehangir Wadia Bldg. Flora Fountain, at 6-15 p.m.
A public Study Class on "Necromancy" will be held at 8-15 p.m. at Putia House, Bhaudaji Road, Matunga.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: On "Need for Spiritual Awakenment" 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Hall Industrial Assurance Building opposite Churchgate Station.

FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION: A member of the foreign F.S.U. will meet the members and guests of the Friends of the Soviet Union at the F.S.U. Hall 48 Benham Hall Lane, Girgaum Road, at 6-30 p.m.

BIRTH CONTROL LEAGUE: Mr. G. D. Kulkarni will speak on "Royal Road to Peace and Plenty" at Bhavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chaupatty at 6-30 p.m. Prof. R. D. Karve will preside

KANARA SARASWAT ASSOCIATION: Dr. J. M. Kumarappa, Director, Sir Dorabji Tata Graduate School of Social Work, on "Social Welfare and National Reconstruction" 7 p.m. (N.S.T.) in the Association Hall, Talmaki Wadi, Tardeo. D. B. N. R. Gundil. President of the Association, will preside.

IN MEMORY OF SATYAMURTI
At a public meeting of the people of Kerala residing in the City of Bombay held at the Nayar Samaj Co-operative Lodge, Dadar, a condolence resolution was passed touching the death of Mr. S. Satyamurti.

ART SOCIETY OF INDIA: The Art Society of India will celebrate its Silver Jubilee on 17th and 18th instant at the Cama Oriental Institute Hall, Apollo Street, Bombay. The Rt. Hon: Dr. M. R. Jayakar will preside.

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY: The Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of Bombay was held at Green's Hotel on Tuesday, with Rotarian Sir Vithal Chandavarkar in the chair. The following Governing Body was elected for the year 1943-44:—
President: Rotarian Sir Francis Low, Vice-President: Rotarian B. N. Karanjia; Hony. Secretary: Rotarian N. N. Ghose; Asstt. Hony. Secretary: Rotarian S. K. Kooka; Hony. Treasurer: Rotarian G. G. Morarjee; Directors: Rotarians Immediate Past President Sir Vithal N. Chandavarkar, Kt., A.A.A. Fyzee, A. A. Jasdenwala, L. Armstrong Smith, F. M. Surveyor, Dr. J. F. Bulsara, M. P. Patel, R. G. Higham, J.P., Kaisar Ahmed.
The new Governing Body will assume office in the first week of July.

SELECTIONS FOR TODAY'S WAR GIFTS FUND MEETING

Royal Blood And High Lights Have Excellent Chances

(From Our Racing Correspondent)
Eight events have been framed for the War Gifts Fund meeting which is due for action to-day at Mahaluxmi.
Royal Blood and High Lights have excellent chances in their respective events.
The following are my selections:—

FIRST RACE—
TIGRIS 1
KUHAILAN KAMIL 2
ALEXANDER Fluke

SECOND RACE—
LYDIA 1
JEANNE EPINARD 2
GOLDEN HEART Fluke

THIRD RACE—
ROYAL PAGE 1
MENU SUFFRAGE 2
COLUMN TWO Fluke

FOURTH RACE—
JANAB 1
SOLFERINO 2
MAHA Fluke

FIFTH RACE—
ROYAL BLOOD 1
PROMINENT 2
WHAT'S YOURS Fluke

SIXTH RACE—
QAID AL ARAB 1
MANSUR HAMID 2
UMEIM Fluke

SEVENTH RACE—
HIGH LIGHTS 1
PLAIN GEORGE 2
TALK Fluke

EIGHTH RACE—
SUNDIAL 1
HAUT TON 2
LOTHARIC Fluke

DOUBLE EVENT—
ROYAL PAGE and QAID AL ARAB

TREBLE EVENT—
ROYAL BLOOD, HIGH LIGHTS and SUNDIAL

DARK FLUKES—
ABJAR SU'AD and ALAN-A DALE

ALL INDIA WEATHER

POONA, April 6.
Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at 8 hrs on 2/4/43.
Allahabad 102 70 0, Bombay 89 77 0, Calcutta 95 78 0, Cawnpore 99 68 0, Cuttack 100 79 0, Darjeeling 59 49 T, Delhi 96 61 0, Dehra Dun 87 55 0, Jacobabad 98 61 0, Karachi 85 72 0, Lahore 91 64 0, Lucknow 102 69 0, Madras 97 78 0, Nagpur 108 76 0, Patna 100 67 0, Peshawar 84 51 0, Shillong 72 60 0, Simple 67 46 0.—A. P.

Tenders For Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 6th April 1943. Total amount offered was Rs. 9,71,00,000. Tenders at Rs. 99-11-6 and above were accepted in full. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. 8,31,50,000, the average rate of accepted tenders being Rs. 1-2-0 per cent per annum.
Tenders for Rs. Eight Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday the 13th April 1943, in Bombay up to 11 a.m. (Standard Time) and up to the close of business on Monday the 12th April 1943 at other centres. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 16th April 1943. Other conditions are as usual.
During the week ended 2nd April 1943, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 2,53,50,000 were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.
Three months' Intermediates will be sold from 7th April 1943 to 12th April 1943 at Rs. 99-12-0 subject to the conditions previously announced (viz. sales can be stopped at any time without previous notice if Government think it necessary.)
Three months' Intermediates sold from 31st March 1943 to 5th April 1943 amounted to Rs. 14,50,000.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, April 5.

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent £67 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent £32 1/8
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent £106 7/16
War loan 3 1/2 per cent £106 1/16
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90 £114 1/8
Victory bonds 4 per cent £114 1/4
Chartered Bank of I A and China £8 7/8
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.) £67
National Bank of India £32 1/4

PRICE OF QUININE.

The price at which quinine will be sold to doctors, charitable hospitals and dispensaries has been fixed at Rs. 42 per lb. (Rs. 5-4-0 for a two-ounce packet) by the Gov-

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Paid-Up Capital	Rs.	1,68,13,200
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Deposits as at 31-12-42	Rs.	59,65,34,000

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Managing Director.

MADRAS SHARE BAZAR

MADRAS, April 6.

Deccan big 253; Deccan small 61; India sugar 13/8; Mysore sugar 63/8; South India 12/12; Travancore 15/6.
Cochin Malabar 19/2 cd; Chembra peaks 14/4; Coorg 70; Cochin 28/4; High Produce 55 xd; Kalpettas 47/12; Kalasa 17/8; Malankara 33; Midland 21/10.
B. and Co. ordy 312/8; Cambodia 38/6; Coimbatore Spg. 390; Coimbatore Pioneer 525; Dhanlaxmi 550; Janardhana 184; Kaleewarar 760 cd; Kothari Tex 32/4; Lakshmi 240; Ditto new 137/8; Mettur 295; Madura 65; Malabar Spg. 605; Pankaja 335; Palani Andavar 240; Rajalakshmi 295; Radhakrishna [illegible]

Metal Exchange Quotations

Copper sheets lb. 21 Rs. 325 28 300 35 270 42 260 49-55 250.
Brass sheets Flag Brand lb. 20-21 Rs. 245 24 207 28 203 35 189 42 185 49-56 185
SETTLEMENT RATES
Copper sheets: Asbad opened at Rs. 276. Now at 3 p.m. Rs 285. Highest 290.

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES
Bombay, April 6.

	Highest	Lowest	Closing
May	552	539	549
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Wanted Secretary, Children's Aid Society, Bombay. Pay: Rs. 200-20|2-300 E. B.—15-360; C. A. Rs. 75, Provident Fund and free quarters (subject to revision). Higher initial pay may be given to a well qualified candidate. 5 years administrative experience essential A candidate with experience of juvenile work will be preferred. Apply with copies of testimonials, to Mr. P. R. Bhatt, Hony. Secretary, Children's Aid Society, 487, Sandhurst Road, Bombay 4, before 30-4-1943, giving details regarding age, educational and other qualifications, knowledge of languages, administrative experience, etc. 4037

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For further particulars please see current Two Anna Time Table. 4059

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Applicants for the above posts should not be over 30 years of age, and must be prepared to undergo practical tests before engagement.

Applications should be in writing only with copies of credentials to Engineering Department, Burmah-Shell, Ballard Estate, Bombay. (4066)

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Fitters, Machinemen, Carpenters, Blacksmiths, Oxy-Acetylene and Electric Welders, Internal Combustion Engine Drivers (semi-diesel), Electricians and Wiremen.

Dearness allowance applicable to the district will be paid. Applicants must be prepared to undergo efficiency tests before engagement. No payments will be made for testing time which will not exceed one day. (4067)

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the certificate for ONE FIRST PREFERENCE SHARE Nos. P4711 of the Tata Iron and Steel Company, Limited, standing in the name of JAYANTILAL CHHAGANLAL POPAWALA has been LOST or MISLAID and the undersigned has applied to the Company to issue a duplicate certificate for the said share. Any person who has a claim in respect of the said share should lodge such claim with the Company at its registered office, Bombay House, 24, Bruce Street, Fort, Bombay, within one month from this date, else the Company will proceed to issue a duplicate share certificate

JAYANTILAL CHHAGANLAL POPAWALA.

Date 7-4-43. 1289

NOTICE

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TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase of a 300 K. W. Steam Driven Generating Set consisting of one Belliss & Morcam 400 H P. double expansion high speed steam engine 300 R. P. M., 150|200 lbs. per sq. in. saturated steam pressure, non-condensing, direct coupled to one Dick Kerr 300 K. W. D. C. Generator compound wound 440|550 volts.

The generating set will be sold as and where it now lies and will be dismantled and removed by the purchaser within one month of date of purchase. Reasonable facilities and use of crane for dismantling will be afforded by the Chief Power Station Engineer whose decision in all matters affecting the dismantling and removal shall be final.

The plant may be inspected at any time, by appointment with the Chief Power Station Engineer, Pettah Power Station, Colombo, Ceylon.

Sealed tenders marked "Steam Generating Set" will be received by the undersigned up to 12 noon on April 30, 1943.

The right is reserved to reject all or any tender.

C. H. BRAZEL,
Chief Engineer and Manager,
Department of Government
Electrical Undertakings.
Colombo, 27th February, 1943. 4038

G. I. P. RLY.—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for reconditioning of scrap white metal misc: and boring. Form obtainable from Stores' Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel, Bombay 13, at Rs. 2/- per copy, not refundable. Money Order or cash only. Closing date 20-4-1943 at 3 P.M. (S.T.) 3999.

Public Notices

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS are invited till 20th April, 1943, TO LET ON LEASE.

(1) House Nos. 21-23, Khetwadi Back Road.
(2) House Nos. 57-63, Duncan Road,
(3) House Nos. 51-53, Duncan Road.
(4) House Nos. 119-123, Undaria Street and
(5) House Nos. 148-150, Huzaria Street,

for 3 years from Vaishakh Sud 1st 1999.

For further particulars see:—
THE SECRETARY,
Cummoo Yacoob Charitable Trust,
160, Kambekar Street,
BOMBAY. (4023)

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Indians for the post of Junior Assistant Mechanical Superintendent. The pay of the post is Rs. 400-25-500 and the selected candidate will be on agreement for the first three years, after which, if satisfactory, he would be eligible for appointment to the Trustees' permanent staff. The post is subject to the usual Leave and Provident Fund Rules of the Bombay Port Trust.

Candidates should preferably be Associate Members of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers or of the Institution of Electrical Engineers and hold the degree of B.Sc. (Engineering) or equivalent.

Candidates should have, excluding the period of training, at least 8 years practical experience of mechanical and electrical engineering. A good all round knowledge of mechanical engineering is required, but special attention will be given to a candidate with marine engineering qualifications and experience.

The selected candidate will be required to obtain a certificate of physical fitness from the Port Trust Medical Officer.

Applications with copies of testimonials, which will not be returned, must be delivered to the Chief Engineer, Bombay Port Trust, Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay, not later than 8th May, 1943, superscribed "POST OF JUNIOR ASSISTANT MECHANICAL SUPERINTENDENT."

Any attempt to bring personal influence to bear upon the members of the Board of Trustees will disqualify the candidate concerned.

G. E. TERREY,
M. Inst., C. E.
Chief Engineer. (4007)

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. BALAJI PARSHRAM JOSHI on behalf of himself and the joint family of which he is the Karta has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Jehangir Wadia Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, and to the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of land, being Plot No. 286 of the Dadar Matunga Estate of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 683 square yards or thereabouts and registered in the Books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 879 (part) and Cadastral Survey No. 224/10 of the Matunga Division together with the dwelling house and all buildings standing thereon and bounded, on the North-East by Matunga Station Road, on the South-East by Plot No. 287 of the said Estate, on the South-West by Plot No. 273 of the said Estate and on the North-West by Plot No. 285 of the said Estate and which premises are assessed under F Ward Nos. 7378 (1, 1A) and Street No. 945 and 945A.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 1943.

MULLA & MULLA,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4056

Public Notices

THE BOMBAY & SUBURBAN HOTEL & RESTAURANT KEEPERS' ASSOCIATION

I HAVE READ with surprise the statement appearing in local newspapers under the signature of Mr. Hormusjee T. Irani, the President, the Bombay and Suburban Hotel and Restaurant Keepers' Association. It is evidently clear from the contents thereof that the President seeks to evade the verdict of the general body under imaginary constitutional pretexts. The Meeting is constitutionally convened and the President has no right to challenge it. As for other allegations, the same will be replied in due course.

I, therefore inform the members that all should attend it and complaints and difficulties, if any, should be placed there.

S. A. HUSAIN.
General Secretary.
6th April, 1943. 4069

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. ANANT SAKARAM JOSHI on behalf of himself and the joint family of which he is the Karta has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Jehangir Wadia Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, and to the Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece of land, being plot No. 287 of the Dadar Matunga Estate of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 703 Square Yards or thereabouts and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey No. 879 (part) and Cadastral Survey No. 223/10 of the Matunga Division together with the dwelling house and all buildings standing thereon and bounded, on the North East by Matunga Station Road, on the South East by Sir Bhalchandra Road, on the South West by Plot No 272 of the said Estate and on the North West by Plot No. 286 of the said Estate and which premises are assessed under F. Ward No 7378(2) and Street No. 945A.

Dated this 2nd day of April, 1943.

MULLA & MULLA,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4057

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Public that DEVSEY PETHRAJ KATHAWALLA and BAYABAI, wife of the said Devsey Pethraj Kathawalla of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned property.

All persons having any claim, interest or demand whatsoever against in or upon the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, exchange, gift, inheritance, mortgage, lease, lien, charge, trust, easements, maintenance, share possession, copercenary rights or otherwise howsoever in the said property or any part thereof are hereby required to give notice thereof in writing to the undersigned at their Office at 65, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof failing which the said sale will be completed without reference to any such claim interest or demand howsoever and the same (if any) shall be deemed and treated as having been waived or abandoned.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of Freehold land or ground together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon situate, lying and being at Chinch Bunder Road, without the Fort, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay and assessed by the Collector of Municipal Taxes under B Ward No. 1080, Street No. 8 and containing by admeasurement 133 square yards or thereabouts and bounded as follows that is to say, on or towards the East by the Chinch Bunder Road, on or towards the West by the Chawls on or towards the North by the Temple of Maruti and on or towards the South by the Godowns of Teju Kaya and Co.

Dated this 6th day of April, 1943.

MOHILE & PAREKH,
Purchaser's Attorneys. 4065

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership between GANDHI RATILAL HARGOVANDAS, MEHTA MANSUKHLAL MANILAL, MEHTA CHHOTALAL MANILAL & GANDHI KANTILAL RATILAL, carrying on businesses in the names of R. Mehta & Co., Royal Hardware Mart & American Oil Products & Co. was DISSOLVED from Kartak sud 1st s. y. 1999 and Mehta Chhotalal Manilal & Gandhi Kantilal Ratilal, retired from the said partnership and the said Gandhi Ratilal Hargovandas, Mehta Mansukhlal Manilal have taken over the business, stock-in-trade, the outstandings, the debts and the Good Will of the said businesses they are entitled to recover the outstandings of the said businesses and are also liable to pay the debts. From the said date Gandhi Ratilal Hargovandas and Mehta Mansukhlal Manilal, alone are carrying on businesses in the names of R. MEHTA & Co., Royal Hardware & American Oil Products & Co.

Bombay dated this 5th day of April, 1943.

KHANDWALA & CHHOTALAL,
Attorneys for Messrs. Gandhi Ratilal Hargovandas, Mehta Mansukhlal Manilal, Mehta Chhotalal Manilal & Gandhi Kantilal Ratilal.
Lentin Chambers,
3rd Floor, Dalal Street, Fort. (4055)

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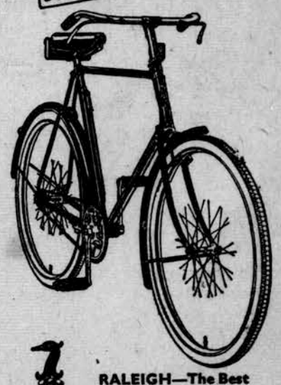

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